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County Prepares for Dangerously Cold Temperatures

Temperatures are predicted to be at or below ten degrees in Shelby County overnight. The Shelby County Office of Preparedness is staying in close touch with response agencies to help ensure the safety of citizens.

“Director Dale Lane and his staff at the Office of Preparedness are keeping me informed about the weather conditions. They have been in contact with emergency managers from all municipalities throughout the Shelby County area,” said Shelby County Mayor Mark. H. Luttrell, Jr.

Bitterly cold weather will continue for the Shelby County area through Friday, with highs below freezing and low temperatures near the teens.

“We’re getting continual updates from our emergency services coordinators, homeless shelters and social services agencies. Our office will provide additional resources if needed. We especially appreciate Shelby County Sheriff Bill Oldham and his team of volunteers who are checking on elderly citizens who live alone,” said Dale Lane, Director of the Shelby County Office of Preparedness.

With a chance of snow flurries tonight, Shelby County Public Works crews are also prepared. **“Based on the forecast, our crews will be ready should there be travel difficulties,”** said Shelby County Public Works Director Tom Needham.

Citizens need to continually check on relatives and friends, especially those who are elderly, disabled or live alone, bring pets indoors and prepare for travel. Make sure you have adequate antifreeze and a full tank of gas.

For more information, go to the Shelby County Office of Preparedness HLS/EMA Facebook Group or Twitter@SCOP_HLS_EMA or call **(901) 222-6700 or 222-6706**.

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